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PROVISIONAL PATENT APPLICATION

TITLE: Display box that hangs on a wall

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The current invention is "technically still a frame" that will be hung on a wall. However, the big difference is an internal case in which can be displayed objects such as swatches. rings, vases or whatever "objects of art". The internal casing is a key component of this product because it is accessed manually by a simple rear opening (or small door), which can be closed easily as magnets are attached on both sides. The internal casing has a plastic shelf on which products will be displayed. This internal shelf will have a whole (Small model only), that will be used to insert an "LED" light. Since the plastic shelf is clear it will be easily illuminated. Also this plastic shelf is attached strongly enough to the rear little door, so that it will be able to support object of up to 0,5lbs for the small model and 4lbs for the medium model. The concept of this new kind of framing is to allow people to easily and effectively display their own things. As for the description of the main outstanding features: It is key to note that the internal casing will be lighted, by LED (extra durable) lights on the small model. The small model will carry one light inserted in the plastic shelf and one light placed above (to light any object from the top). For the medium model these 2 lights will be regular light bulbs, 1 will be placed on the upper middle part of the inner case and the other on the lower middle part of the inner box. None of the light bulbs will be visible when standing in front of the frame. In BOTH models the lights are fed by 2 regular "double A" batteries. Also in both models the light color is a bright white. Also common on both models a motion detector will be placed within the frame (cannot be seen) and will offer to the user 3 outstanding features. 1) Closed position: The frame is used as a simple hanged display box. 2) Alternate position: The lights come on when someone reach or stand in front of the frame (distance 4" to 3"), and come off after a few seconds after the person has stopped standing in front of the frame. 3) Open position: The lights are on at all time regardless of whoever is standing in front of the frame or not. The batteries are inserted at the back of the frame and their plastic casing is covered and hidden by a piece of tissue.

The body-frame is made of wood. There are two main models at this time. Medium and small. The Medium model has external dimensions of 24" for total length of the frame and 14" for the total width. While the inner case (allowing objects to be displayed) is 10.88" long by 6.48" for the width. The depth of the inner case is: 4.04". The small model is about 11" long by 6" wide. Internal dimensions are about: 2.8" wide by 4.3" long and the depth of the case is about 2.12". On both models a regular glass window is covering the front part (see attached picture)

BACKGROUND ART

Although no such product (to my knowledge) currently exists, you could say that this special frame is inspired somehow by the concept of shadow boxes, HOWEVER the biggest difference is the easy opening at the back of the frame allowing the user to easily change what needs to be displayed. Also the shelving and of course the lighting functions (3 features), and the overall high-end aspect of this frame makes it very unique.

DISCLOSURE OF INVENTION

This new product will be used to easily display any kind of objects from swatches or precious rings, to precious sculptures or vases or any type of miniatures or expensive decorative objects. The obvious users are among others: Professional jewelry retailers, swatch retailers, and pottery or art dealers, miniatures lovers and of course anyone interested in displaying with taste and refinement their most loved piece of art or souvenirs.

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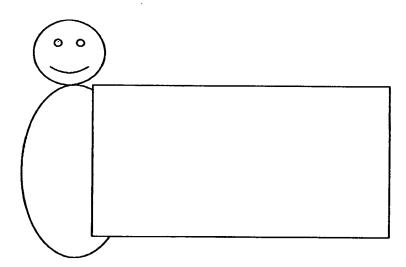
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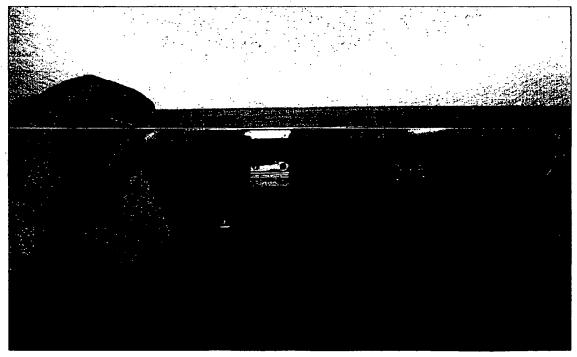
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